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## 13 Garden-Inspired Cocktails to Celebrate the Beauty of Spring

**What better way to celebrate National Cocktail Day than with a botanical libation?**



Spring is here, and we're feeling rejuvenated by the warming temperatures and beautiful blooms popping up around our homes. From our herb gardens to walkway borders and everything in between, we are enjoying watching the world turn green again. And what better way to celebrate than with a creative libation inspired by the bounty of a spring garden? After all your hard work preparing your plants for winter and keeping your garden protected from the elements, snag a few favorite herbs, pick a few lemons, grab a favorite spirit, find your favorite cocktail glass, and kick up those shoes!

Read on to discover a festive libation to enjoy alfresco this spring, whether you're partial to gin or have a penchant for bourbon.



Rami Levy

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## **Before I'll Snap**

Created by Rami Levy, the bar manager at Bustan in New York City, this whimsical cocktail features a few spring garden delights: snap peas, Meyer lime, and lemongrass.

### **Ingredients:**

2 thin slices lemongrass

3 snap peas

2 ounces Italicus Rosolio di Bergamotto

1 ounce Vodka Kāstra Eliōn

3/4 ounce aquafaba

3/4 ounce Meyer lime juice

Dash of rose water